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SUBJECT: THREE CHILEAN WOMEN PLAN TO TRY AGAIN JANUARY 12 OR 13

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1. THE THREE CHILEAN WOMEN WHO WERE DENIED REENTRY INTO CHILE NOVEMBER 24 SUBSEQUENTLY WENT TO ERIK SUY, GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE UN, WITH THE REQUEST THAT HE ASK THE GOC WHAT WAS NECESSARY FOR THEM TO DO TO RETURN TO CHILE. SUY ASKED FOR THE DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION FROM CHILEAN PERM REP SERGIO DIEZ. DIEZ OFFERED TO SEEK FURTHER INFORMATION FROM HIS GOVERNMENT, WHICH HAS NOT BEEN FORTHCOMING. THEREUPON THE WOMEN ALL SIGNED (DECEMBER 30) THE PAPER REQUIRED FOR REENTRY, PLEDGING TO ABSTAIN FROM POLITICAL ACTIVITY, AND HAVE DULY FILED IT WITH THE CHILEAN CONSULATE IN NYC, WHICH ADVISED THEM THAT THEY WOULD IMMEDIATELY ADVISE SANTIAGO. THE WOMEN HAVE SEVERAL TIMES CALLED THE CONSULATE SINCE FILING, BUT HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT NO RESPONSE HAS COME

BACK FROM THE GOC. THE WOMEN HAVE STATED THAT THEY DO NOT CONSIDER THE SEARCH FOR THEIR MISSING RELATIVES AS POLITICAL ACTIVITY AND WILL CONTINUE TO SEARCH IF PERMITTED TO RETURN.
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2. AS OF JANUARY 9, THE THREE WOMEN HAD DECIDED TO RETURN TO CHILE ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 12 OR FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, THEY HAVE INFORMED MISOFF. THEY HAVE CONCLUDED THAT THERE WILL BE NO RESPONSE FROM THE CONSULATE, AND THAT THEY WILL PROBABLY BE ALLOWED TO REENTER CHILE. THEY RECALL THE WORDS OF ANBASSADOR DIEZ TO THE THIRD COMMITTEE TO

THE EFFECT THAT AS SOON AS THEY SIGN THE STATEMENT THEY COULD RETURN TO CHILE. THEY WILL BE ACCCOMPANIED BY RICARDO, THE FOUR-YEAR OLD SON OF MRS. BRAVO. USUN WILL ADVISE AS SOON AS FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE.

3. USUN SUGGESTS THAT AMEMBASSY SANTIAGO MAY WANT TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITIES OF INQUIRING AS TO THE PROBABLE RECEPTION OF THE WOMEN IF THEY RETURN AS THEY HAVE STATED THEIR INTENTION. PERHAPS SUCH ADVANCE CONSIDERATION COULD SAVE A REPETITION OF THE NOVEMBER 23 INCIDENT, WHICH WOULD PROBABLY BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE TO EVERYONE INVOLVED.

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